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SUBJECT: ADMISSION OF FOREIGN NATIONALS TO US MERCHANT
MARINE ACADEMY

REF: A. CARACAS 00502 B. STATE 265741

1. QUESTIONS POSED PARA THREE REFTEL A DISCUSSED WITH
ACADEMY ASST DIRECTOR OF ADMISSIONS, WHO PROVIDED FOLLOWING
INFO: MINIMUM SCORES REQUIRED ARE 85 ON ENGLISH COMPREHEN-
SION LEVEL TEST (ECL), 600 ON TEST OF ENGLISH AS A FOREIGN
LANGUAGE (TOEFL), 500 ON MATH PORTION OF SCHOLASTIC
APTITUDE TEST (SAT), AND 25 ON AMERICAN COLLEGE TESTING
PROGRAM (ACT). WHILE SOME FLEXIBILITY IS REPORTED TO
BE AVAILABLE, THE ABILITY TO FUNCTION IN COLLEGE-LEVEL
ENGLISH IS ESSENTIAL.

2. GIVEN THE FACT THAT THE ACTUAL TESTS ARE STANDARDIZED,
COMPETITIVE AND USED WORLD-WIDE, IT IS UNLIKELY THAT THEY
WOULD BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR CANDIDATE PREPARATION. HOWEVER,
WE UNDERSTAND THAT THESE EXAMS ARE SCHEDULED FOR ADMINIS-
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TRATION ALMOST YEAR-ROUND, AND THAT TAKING THE TESTS EARLY
IN HIGH SCHOOL IS ENCOURAGED TO PREPARE FOR LATER TESTING
QUOTE FOR THE RECORD UNQUOTE.

3. THERE ARE NUMEROUS COMMERCIAL STUDY GUIDES AVAILABLE
IN BOOKSTORES HERE WHICH ARE DESIGNED TO ASSIST POTENTIAL
CANDIDATES TO PREPARE FOR COLLEGE ENTRY EXAMS. EMBASSY

MIGHT SUGGEST TO MR. PARRA THAT VENEZUELAN EMBASSY WASHINGTON OBTAIN COPIES FOR HIS USE IN CANDIDATE PREPARATION.

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